

AMERICANS NEGLECT RICH NEXT DOOR MARTS

Speakers Before Republican Club
Say Europe Corners South
American Trade.

BLAME BUMP OF CONCEIT

Barrett and Prof. Shepherd Say We Are
Colossally Ignorant of Our
Neighbors.

The Republican Club, at its Saturday luncheon yesterday afternoon, heard speakers discuss trade relations between the United States and the South American republics and the probable effects of the Panama Canal. At the guest table with A. B. Humphrey, who presided, were Francisco Escobar, Consul-General to New York from Colombia; Manuel Gonzalez, from Costa Rica; Alfredo M. Guezo, from Uruguay; Ricardo Sanchez-Cruz, from Chile; and L. F. Correa, former Minister from Nicaragua. The speakers were John Barrett, director-general of the Pan-American Union and former Minister to the Argentine Republic; Prof. William R. Shepherd of Columbia College, who attended the first scientific congress of the South American republics in 1898; and Colvin F. Brown of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition committee.

Mr. Barrett spoke of the Panama Canal and Pan-American commerce. He said the Pan-American Union was the greatest force in the country for getting together our trade and South America's. The Emperor of Germany, he continued, had written him a letter saying he considered the bulletins of the union very interesting and the wife of the President of the United States had told him she found them more interesting than the monthly magazines.

His argument was that the United States has been neglecting South American business opportunities and ignoring the conditions that exist in those countries while European nations are fully awake to them. People, he said, consider South Americans a "kind of dog" and society women in New York and Washington receive European diplomats and ignore the cultured South Americans who are accredited to this country.

To intervene in Mexico would be a great crime and intervention either in Mexico or Cuba, unless requested by the people of those countries, would set the United States back fifty years in the confidence of the sister republics. The opening of the canal will mean great things to this country, he concluded, if the United States is ready for it.

Prof. Shepherd's address was on the extension of South American trade. The trade of the United States, he said, with the republics of South America is considerably less than the volume of business done between these republics and Europe and between the United States and the republics of North America.

"One of the impediments to better trade relations is our colossal ignorance of these countries and its twin sister, prejudice," he said. "We are afraid to invest our money there, but England is not and neither is Germany. As to the Monroe doctrine, as long as you have a navy to protect it it will stand."

"We are inclined to think that the American products are the best in the world and if the South American doesn't want them they can let them alone. Meanwhile Europe is gathering in the trade. Then we have one expression in this country that does not exist anywhere else. You hear it when a man gets off the steamer and says 'Gee, I'm glad to be back in God's country.' No other nation thinks that its land is the only God's country."

"It means that Americans have their bump of conceit so well developed that they have cerebral elephantiasis every day of their lives."

"What is needed is to learn more about South American countries, to pay more attention to what South American buyers want and less to what we think they need, to send out salesmen with a suitcase full of samples, to be content with quick sales and small profits, to give liberal credit and extend the installment plan."

Mr. Brown, the last speaker, explained the plans for the exposition to be held in San Francisco in 1915.

5 KILLED IN P. R. R. WRECK.

Limited, Westbound This Time, Hits a
Work Train in the Fog.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Feb. 17.—The Pennsylvania Limited crashed into the rear of a wrecking train at Larwill, twenty-five miles west of here, at 5:40 o'clock this morning, killing five men and injuring eleven others. All the dead and injured were at breakfast in the caboose of the work train.

No. 3 is the westbound counterpart of the limited express which was wrecked at Warriors Ridge, Pa., on last Thursday. In the Larwill wreck, as was the case at Warriors Ridge, the heavy damped construction prevented a great disaster. No one on the limited was injured.

The wreck was due to the fog. A flagman sent back from the wrecking train was not seen by the engineer of the limited. The locomotive of the limited ploughed through four of the wrecking train cars. The locomotive was not derailed and was not badly damaged. Only two cars of the limited left the rails. They were not badly damaged. A new locomotive was procured and the limited went on to Chicago.

The wreckage of the work train caught fire and two of the dead were badly burned. The dead are F. Sholtman, A. Bain, Frank Wiggins, F. Dobberkau and an unidentified man. All were railroad employees. The injured, all of Fort Wayne, and members of the wrecking crew, are George Ebner, master of the work train; D. Harderhoigt, a laborer; W. Weckoff, A. Bartz, F. A. Kober, F. Robertson, F. Van Horn, G. Beeger, H. Benne, J. J. Lee.

To Lecture on City of Washington.

Ferry Bulkeley of the Cosmos Club of Washington, D. C., will lecture at the American Museum of Natural History on the evening of February 20, on "The City of Washington," illustrating his talk with a large number of still and moving pictures. Mr. Bulkeley comes to New York at the invitation of the Board of Education. He will present a historical picture of the city from the time of Davy Bunn, the original settler who owned most of the land upon which the District of Columbia now stands, and will also show in conclusion the contemplated "city beautiful."

Mr. Pyle's Whole Estate Left to His Wife.

The will of James Tolman Pyle leaves his estate, valued at more than \$1,000,000 and consisting chiefly of the business of James Pyle & Sons, to his wife, Adelaide M. Pyle, "feeling that the best provision I can make for my children is to leave them in the care and under the protection of my wife."

The will was executed in 1888. The executors are Mrs. Pyle, the testator's brothers-in-law, Charles W. McAlpin and Joseph R. McAlpin, and William S. Pyle.

HONORS TO EDWARD BUSH.

Graduates of Brooklyn Public School
Dine the Retiring Principal.

Four hundred and fifty graduates of Public School 18 in Brooklyn did honor last night to their former principal, Edward Bush, who was just retired after serving for fifty-six years in this office with a record of more than sixty years of continuous school service to his credit. Former pupils and graduates of all ages crowded the large banquet hall at the Imperial Hotel to the doors, and the songs in honor of their schoolmaster and the cheering that the sight of him inspired lasted until well into the night.

Edward G. Riggs was toastmaster. He told of his graduation from No. 18 and said that they were all assembled to honor one of Brooklyn's most splendid citizens. "I wonder if he has ever taken time to think of what his life and character have been to thousands and thousands of pupils of old No. 18," said Mr. Riggs. "And how modest his life has been! His life's work has been performed like the modest hero that he is. I have lived in Brooklyn fifty-five years, graduated from old No. 18 in 1871, and during all the intervening years memory has frequently taken me back to those school days, to the dignified, refined bearing of this man, to his desire to aid the pupils, to his gracious and kindly bearing toward his colleagues on the staff of teachers."

Mr. Riggs read letter of regret and of congratulation from President Taft, Mayor Gaynor, Gov. Dix and Theodore Roosevelt, after which a music machine was presented to Mr. Bush as a souvenir of the evening. The presentation address was made by Surrogate Herbert T. Ketcham.

James A. Priddy, of 1858, the oldest living graduate, told reminiscences of his school life, and he was followed immediately by Miss Mildred Weil, 13 years old, who graduated in January as the valedictorian of her class and is the youngest of all the graduates.

Other speakers were Dr. William T. Maxwell, who used to teach English in the Williamsburg High School; Miss Grace C. Strachan, president of the Interborough Association of Women Teachers; and Assistant Superintendent Algonquin S. Higgins. There were many impromptu speeches and the big quartet and Franzetti's orchestra furnished the incidental music.

Among those present were Joseph C. Cosgrove, Louis Neff, Robert E. McCaffrey, Mary S. McGuire, David H. Moore, Judge S. T. Maddox and John H. Walsh.

DINNER FOR SPORTSMEN.

American Thoroughbred's Friends to
Meet at Waldorf-Astoria To-morrow.

Sportsmen interested in the welfare of the American thoroughbred, both runner and trotter, and in the promotion of the amateur turf in this country will have their annual dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria to-morrow night. More than 1,500 invitations have been sent out by Harry W. Smith, master of the Grafton House, who has arranged the affair on a large scale.

To-day and to-morrow there will be an exhibition of paintings of famous racing horses—gold, silver and bronze—turf trophies and racing colors of notable American horsemen, together with records, books and documents relating to breeding and horseracing.

August Belmont, chairman of the Jockey Club, will preside and will speak on the "Horse." Major-General Leonard Wood, U. S. A., has been asked to discuss "The War Horse." Ex-Lieut.-Gov. Horace White will be heard on "The Standard Bred Horse." International polo will be the subject of Devereux Milburn of the Meadow Brook polo team. The other topics and those who will comment upon them are as follows:

"The Kentucky Saddle Horse," Charles W. Bosworth, president of the Union Trust Company, Springfield, Mass.

"The Country Horse Show," Paul D. Cravath, Piping Rock Country Club.

"The Masters of Foxhounds Associations," Henry G. Vaughan, secretary of the Masters of Foxhounds Association.

"The Thoroughbred Horse," F. K. Sturgis, secretary of the Jockey Club.

"The Gentlemen Riders," Redmond C. Stewart, master of Green Spring Valley Hunt.

"United States Army Racing," Perry Belmont.

"The Welch Pony," Theodore N. Vail.

"Sport in the South," James W. Graves, Virginia Hunt Committee.

"Hunt Racing," Henry Smith.

"Sport in the Army," Major Henry T. Allen, U. S. A.

"The American Foxhound," John P. Bowditch, Brunswick Foxhound Club.

"Sport in the United Kingdom," Capt. C. C. Thackeray, R. N., British Embassy.

"Hackney Breeding," William Dupont, Montpelier, Va.

"A Lifetime in Sport," Major W. A. Wadsworth, master Genesee Valley Hunt.

"The Game of Polo," W. A. Hazard, Polo Association.

"The Draught Horse," Robert A. Fairbairn, National Horse Show Association.

"Hunts Committee," Charles K. Harrison, chairman of the Hunts Committee.

"The Wing Shot," Oakleigh Thorne, master of the Millbrook Hunt.

TRADE NEWSPAPER MEN DINE.

Publishers of "American Cloak and Suit Review" Entertain Their Staff.

John M. O'Connor and Eugene L. Lezinsky, publishers of the *American Cloak and Suit Review*, gave a dinner last night to their editorial, advertising and executive staffs in celebration of the first year of business and the publishing on February 1 of an issue containing 300 pages of advertising. Mr. Lezinsky, editor of the *Review*, is also the manager of the Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers Protective Association and with Louis D. Brandeis of Boston and Louis Marshall of New York was one of the factors in settling the cloak and suit strike in the summer of 1910. Last night's dinner was held at the Hotel Metropole. Forty-third street near Broadway, the *Review* managing editor, was toastmaster and John J. Findlay, the advertising manager, delivered a short address and presented Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Lezinsky with their annual "The Boys." There was music and vaudeville to amuse the diners.

QUARANTINE POLICY.

New York State Physicians in Favor of
Federal Control.

Physicians throughout the State are demanding that the New York Quarantine station be put under Federal control, notwithstanding that Gov. Dix has appointed a successor to Dr. Alvah H. Doty, who was removed.

Even if the Senate should approve the appointment of Dr. O'Connell the situation would not be changed, as is pointed out in an editorial article in the *Medical Record*. It is asserted that Dr. Doty's removal for reasons not connected with competency and ability demonstrate the State is observing the quarantine in politics; that is, away from the State control.

The whole country is interested in the quarantine station at the port and the medical men are observing the developments since Dr. Doty was ousted despite the testimony of many well known physicians.

INHERITS \$500,000 FROM FATHER WHO FORGOT HER

Mrs. Laura McCann of Hudson
Heights Declared Sole Heir
of Dr. J. W. Burton.

THREE SURPRISED UNCLES

They Thought the Estate Was Theirs
Until She Appeared and Proved
Her Right.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 17.—Mrs. Laura McCann of 21 Oakwood avenue, Hudson Heights, N. J., was declared yesterday to be the only child and heir of Dr. Jacob W. Burton, who died intestate two years ago leaving an estate valued at \$500,000. Mrs. McCann, who had not seen her father since she was a child, learned of his death a year ago through the divorced wife of one of his brothers, who would have shared in the estate if Mrs. McCann had not established her kinship. Mrs. McCann brought suit while the estate was in the Probate Court. The decision of yesterday establishes her relationship and takes from her three uncles any claim to a share in the estate.

Dr. Burton was practicing here at the time of his death. He made his last will in Bloomingdale, N. J., as a house painter and there in 1874 he married Annie Carman, the daughter of a hotel keeper. He took his wife to Boston and began the study of medicine, working at home painting to support the couple. In the fall of 1874 he returned to Bloomingdale and a few months later his daughter Laura was born. A month after her birth Burton, leaving his wife and daughter in the home of his parents-in-law, went to New York. He completed his study of medicine in 1878. Occasionally he visited his family.

When he received his diploma to practice he corresponded with his wife but did not visit her. Three years after he got his degree his wife died. He attended the funeral in Bloomingdale and then returned here, leaving his daughter Laura with his wife's parents. From that time on, according to the evidence brought out in the Probate Court here, he never communicated with his wife's parents regarding his daughter.

Laura stayed with her grandparents until they died and then married Frederick L. McCann. Dr. Burton had married for a second time in 1883, but was divorced when he died suddenly two years ago. Mrs. McCann, who had lost all trace of him, received no news of his death.

Dr. Burton had three brothers, John, James and William, and the three former living in New England, and William living in Denver. By agreement of the brothers John was appointed administrator of the estate and he set out to divide it among the heirs at law. No mention was made of Mrs. McCann.

James Burton had been married and divorced. His wife married again, becoming Mrs. Mallett, and she lived in New York city. After the letters of administration had been granted she learned of the facts and remembering that Dr. Burton had a daughter she engaged Abraham C. Fineline, a lawyer, of 155 Nassau street, to take up the case. Mrs. McCann was found. When she learned of her father's death she begged suit to have her uncle set aside as administrator and to be declared sole heir to her father's estate.

The court's decision yesterday declares her to be the sole heir. The court will be asked her uncle as administrator on the ground that that matter was not within the jurisdiction of the Probate Court.

PASSING OF THE FIRE HORSE.

Will Leave Fire Headquarters for Good
To-morrow—Auto Apparatus Ready.

The five fire horses which have been on duty for several years in Engine 33, at Fire Headquarters, 157 East Sixty-seventh street, will leave the quarters to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, never to return.

They will carry with them the old steam pumping engine and the hose wagon, both of which were designed a generation ago.

Fire Commissioner Johnson has decreed that in place of the horses will be installed the department's newest gasoline pumping automobile fire engine—the "Giant"—and a new automobile hose wagon.

The "Giant," which was purchased by Commissioner Johnson recently for \$10,000, is the most powerful of its kind in the world. It is the first of the gasoline pumping type to be submitted to an actual service test in this city.

The average number of alarms to which Engine 33 responds each month is about forty-five. Upon the showing of this powerful piece of automobile fire fighting apparatus will depend whether or not the Fire Department will adopt the gasoline pumping engine instead of the present type of steam.

It will be with regret that the firemen at Headquarters will witness the departure of the five fire horses—Malden, Chariton, Tom, Enright and Antares, from Company 33. As an evidence of the sentiment attached to the passing of the horses from Engine 33, Chief Kenyon has ordered that each of the animals be decorated with a white ribbon.

To-morrow morning a still alarm will be sounded in Engine 33, doors will open and under the command of Capt. Seymour J. Guy and Lieutenants Alonzo Weise and Harry J. Gallagher, the crews of Engine 33 and hose wagon will spring to their positions and the whole apparatus will leave as though responding to a fire.

PREVENTORIUM FUND.

Only \$2,500 Needed for Place to Protect
Children From Tuberculosis.

There only remains \$2,500 to complete the fund of \$50,000 to pay for the Tuberculosis Preventorium for Children at Farmingdale, N. J.

This will be the first preventorium in this country and will be free and non-sectarian. The buildings are to be of hollow tile and cement and will be completed inside of ten days.

Eugene Meyer, Jr., sent a check for \$1,000 yesterday to Marcus M. Marks, president of the association. Other gifts totalling \$500 were also received. Checks may be sent to Alexander S. Webb, treasurer, and Marcus M. Marks, president, in care of the Academy of Medicine, 11 West Forty-third street.

BADEN-POWELL RESTS.

General Leaves George Junior Republic
for Niagara Falls.

ATBURN, N. Y., Feb. 17.—A strenuous programme provided by the citizens of the George Junior Republic for Gen. Baden-Powell during the last two days closed this afternoon when the distinguished visitor withdrew from a dance and started by sleigh for Niagara, where he is to be recovered from the effects of the lionizing of the last few weeks.

"I had here in Freeville for the first time since I arrived in this country," he said, "I was delighted. I'm most impressed by the fine spirit shown here, everybody is so happy. I would like to remain here for a while. Not for a minute. Remove that ash can and drop this foolishness at once."

That settled it. There were no glaring stories of the attempt to blow up the

Stern Brothers

direct particular attention to their
February Furniture Sale

in which they continue to offer very exceptional values in high-grade and serviceable Furniture for Living, Dining and Bedrooms, Libraries and Halls, the following being worthy of special mention:

- Bedroom Suites,**
in Rich Dark Mahogany, five pieces, at \$150.00
Regular Value \$202.50
- in Mahogany, William and Mary style, with cast brass drop handles, four pieces, at 172.50
Regular Value \$231.50
- Circassian Walnut, with inlaid bands, seven pieces, at 330.00
Regular Value \$495.00
- Cream Enamel, decorated, eleven pieces, at 525.00
Regular Value \$657.50
- Dining Room Suites,**
Chippendale, in Mahogany, three pieces, at \$205.00
Regular Value \$276.50
- Circassian Walnut, four pieces, at 325.00
Regular Value \$442.00
- Southern Colonial Style, in Mahogany, four pieces, at 370.00
Regular Value \$495.00
- Adam Suite, in Mahogany, ten pieces, at 1450.00
Regular Value \$1975.00

Corresponding Reductions have been made throughout the department.

Monday, an Importation of
Housekeeping Linens

will be offered Much Below Prevailing Prices.

- Satin Damask Table Cloths,**
2 by 2 yds, \$1.88 to 3.25 2 1/2 by 2 1/2 yds, \$2.95 to 4.75
2 " 2 1/2 " 2.40 to 4.25 2 1/2 " 2 1/2 " 3.75 to 5.75
2 " 3 " 2.90 to 5.25 2 1/2 " 3 " 4.25 to 6.50

Satin Damask Napkins, Doz. 1.95 to 5.75

Satin Damask Table Cloths,

round scalloped, at \$3.75, 5.25, 5.90

Satin Damask Napkins, scalloped to match, Doz. 5.75

Luncheon and Dinner Sets,

hemstitched table cloth and 12 napkins, \$6.50, 7.75, 8.45

Damask Tea Cloths, Hemstitched, 1.20, 1.95, 2.45

Damask Tea Napkins, Scalloped, at 95c, 1.95, 3.25, 5.75

Linen Sheets, hemstitched, Pair 3.25, 4.25, 6.50, 7.90

Linen Pillow Cases Hemstitched, Pair 88c, 1.25, 1.50

Huck Towels, Doz. 2.90, 4.00 5.50

Guest Towels, Doz., \$2.50 Emb'd Show Towels, Each 65c

EXCEPTIONAL FACILITIES FOR EMBROIDERING BY HAND

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Monday and Tuesday at Decided Reductions

Oriental Rugs and Carpets

Persian and Turkish Carpets,

at \$35.00, 68.00, 92.50 to 137.50

Regular Values \$45.00, 85.00, 145.00 to 185.00

Asia Minor, at \$75.00, 115.00, 145.00 to 255.00

Regular Values \$95.00, 135.00, 185.00 to 325.00

Ghoerevan, at \$117.50, 195.00, 245.00 to 415.00

Regular Values \$185.00, 255.00, 325.00 to 550.00

Beloochistan and Bokhara Strips, at \$12.50, 14.50

Regular Values \$18.50 and 22.50

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Regular Values \$24.50 and 27.50

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At Corresponding Reductions

Wilton Rugs,

6 by 9 ft. Regularly \$25.00, at \$15.00

8 ft. 3 by 10 ft. 6 " 32.50, " 22.50

9 by 12 ft., Regularly \$35.00 & 40.00, " \$24.00, 27.50

Colonial Homespun Rugs,

6 by 9 ft. Value \$6.50, at \$4.25

West 23d and 22d Streets

BOMB STORY WENT WRONG.

Theatre Manager Unappreciative of a
Press Agent's Dastardly Plot.

In a drawer in the desk of Eddie Dunn, in the Cohan Theatre Building, reposes peacefully a gas pipe bomb. Eddie looks after a publicity for Cohan & Harris, the theatrical managers. When he looks at the bomb it is with a sigh of disappointment.

In "The Red Widow" at the Astor Theatre there is a scene at the close of the act where Raymond Hitchcock gets bomb after bomb from the nihilists, who think he is one of them. The bombs are to kill the czar. This suggested the great plot to Dunn. The bomb was manufactured and taken to the rear entrance of the theatre. The ash can was planted beside the door with the deadly missile in it. Even a nail was driven in the rear fence with the piece of the clothing of the culprit who was to blow up the theatre. All was ready on Friday night and Dunn was just sending a messenger to the nearest policeman to notify him of the discovery of the terrible bomb, when there appeared at the door a figure and a voice demanded:

"What are you doing with that old ash can there? Get that out of the way at once. This is no rubbish dump."

This was Lincoln A. Wagenhals, one of the managers of the theatre. Dunn didn't want to explain but finally had to confess "What? Blow up my theatre?" said Mr. Wagenhals. "Drive all the patrons away? Why, there wouldn't be any one come here. The people would be afraid. Not for a minute. Remove that ash can and drop this foolishness at once."

That settled it. There were no glaring stories of the attempt to blow up the theatre and the deadly bomb, loaded with peaceful emery dust and with its time fuse attached, was relegated to a drawer in a desk.

BROOKLYN "TIMES" BIRTHDAY.

Col. Baird the Guest of Honor at Dinner
at the Hanover Club.

About one hundred and fifty former employees and present members of the staff of the Brooklyn Times celebrated the paper's sixty-fourth birthday with a dinner at the Hanover Club last night.

Stern Brothers

are now exhibiting unusually large assortments of
Tailored Suits, Costumes
and Lingerie Gowns

For Southern Resorts and Early Spring Wear,
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Imported Serges, Hairline Stripes, Mannish Mixtures
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Street Dresses,

of Imported Serges, Taffetas, Crepe de
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Costumes for Afternoon and Dinner Wear,

in a variety of simple and elaborate effects,
of Brocade Silk, Charmeuse, Chiffon
Cloth, Meteor, Gold Cloth and Lace, from \$49.50 to 275.00

Lingerie Dresses,

of Imported Cotton Voiles, Cotton Crepes,
Eyelet Embroidery, French Batiste,
Embroidered Nets and Real Laces, from \$16.50 to 295.00

Linen Suits,

Plain Tailored, or elaborately hand
embroidered, trimmed with real laces, from \$12.50 to 195.00

Also for To-morrow, a Special Offering of

One Piece Dresses,